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ABOUT SB/SCAP

The primary mission of the DEQ's Small Business & Small Community Assistance Program is to provide important environmental regulatory assistance to small businesses and to provide environmental regulatory information to small communities.

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Disaster assistance loans and counseling centers available for hurricane-impacted businesses in Louisiana

In the wake of Hurricanes Gustav and Ike, small business counseling and disaster loan application assistance centers have been established to assist businesses impacted by the hurricanes. The centers are a partnership among Louisiana Economic Development, the U.S. Small Business Administration, Louisiana Small Business Development Centers, and regional economic development partners. The centers provide free, one-on-one consultations with SBA customer service representatives and LSBDC counselors. Services include assessing business economic injury, assistance with SBA

disaster loan program, evaluating the business's strength, cash flow projections and most importantly, a review of all options to ensure each business makes the right financial decisions. To find a counseling center near you and for daily updates, call the **SBA Customer Service at 800-659-2955 from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. EDT, Mon-Fri, and 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. EDT, Saturday and Sunday, or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov.**

For more information, please visit: www.LouisianaForward.com/BizHelp, and www.sba.gov/hurricanes, or call LED's Business Recovery Information Center at 877-610-3533.

EPA new regulations for auto body refinishing shops

EPA has new requirements* for businesses providing auto body refinishing. These regulations will be implemented to reduce air pollution of metals such as chrome, lead, cadmium, manganese and nickel compounds, and also to reduce methylene chloride fumes. These compounds pose health risks to anyone who breathes the air when these fumes are present. Many paints used in auto body refinishing work contain these compounds. The new regulations require auto body shops and refinishing businesses to do several things to prevent these metals from getting into the air during spray painting.

The following is a short summary of things an existing shop must do before January 2011. New auto body shops must do all these before beginning to paint.

1) All spray painting must be done in a spray booth.

- Full cars must be painted in a spray booth with four walls, a roof and a ventilation system. (Filters in the booth have to remove at least 98% of the particulates. Your filter provider can give you the right filters and necessary paperwork).
- Parts of cars must be painted in a booth with at least three walls or flaps, a roof and a ventilation system that pulls air into the spray booth.
- Spot repairs must be done in an enclosure which prevents any mist from getting out of the enclosure.

2) Painters must use spray guns and techniques that reduce overspray (such as high volume, low pressure spray guns).

3) All painters must receive training. Owners must keep records of the training of each painter.



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For information on techniques and information your painters need to know and workshops available see the Collision Repair Campaign website with upcoming trainings-<http://www.epa.gov/air/toxicair/community/collision.html>.

4) Paint spray gun cleaning cannot create any mist of cleaning solvent to the air. You may spray solvent through the gun for cleaning purposes using an enclosed gun cleaner or you may clean the gun manually.

5) Exemptions to the rule are facility maintenance activities, which include the application of coatings to stationary structures or their appurtenances at the site of installation, to portable buildings at the site of installation, to pavements, or to curbs (such as bridges).

6) All shops must also send the notification to EPA.

Initial Notification (informs EPA that the facility is subject to the standards and when the source will be in compliance).

- New Sources: July 7, 2008 or 180 days after startup.
- Existing Sources: January 11, 2010.
- An example of this notification is found here:
http://www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/area/paint_strip_example.doc.

Notification of Compliance (certifies that the source is in compliance with the applicable requirements).

- New Sources: As part of the Initial Notification.
- Existing Sources: March 11, 2011.

Annual notification of changes report—required each calendar year any reportable changes occur.

For more details and assistance, please visit EPA website:

<http://www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/area/arearules.html> or contact

SB/SCAP at 1-800-259-2890; or 225-219-3969.

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EnviroFlash---DEQ has recently announced a new e-mail forecast service for Louisiana residents for timely electronic information on the air quality index

for ozone levels. DEQ has partnered with EPA to provide this free service to subscribers for instant notices through daily e-mails or mobile text. Currently, it is available for residents in the Baton Rouge, Shreveport, and New Orleans areas. To sign up for this service on-line, go to:

<http://batonrougearea.enviroflash.info>; or

<http://shreveportarea.enviroflash.info>; or

<http://neworleansarea.enviroflash.info>.

For more information, check out DEQ's web site at www.deq.louisiana.gov/portal/Default.aspx?tabid=2880 or the AirNow web site at <http://airnow.enviroflash.info>.

Underground Storage Tank Training

Date	Location	Time
1-Oct-08	Crowley	8 am - 12 Noon
5-Nov-08	Alexandria	8 am -12 Noon

To register for this FREE class, call Tommie Johnson (225) 219-3805, or Leigh Gauthreaux (225) 219-3713.

Sanitary Wastewater Compliance Assistance Training

Date	Location	Time
9-Dec-08	Baton Rouge	8 am - 12 Noon

To register for this FREE class, call (225) 219-3720.